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House Resolution 982

By: Representatives Abdul-Salaam of the 74<sup>th</sup>, Jordan of the 77<sup>th</sup>, Sinkfield of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Glanton of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Heckstall of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Gloria Duncan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Gloria Duncan has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
- 3 vital role that she has played in higher education and her deep personal commitment to the
- 4 students of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
- 6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of education for students in Georgia and Clayton
- 7 County for over 30 years; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Duncan earned a bachelor's degree from Spelman College, a master's degree
- 9 in educational psychology from State University of West Georgia, a master's degree in
- 10 educational administration and supervision from Georgia State University, and a doctoral
- degree in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University; and
- 12 WHEREAS, throughout her distinguished career in education, Dr. Duncan has dedicated
- 13 herself to challenging and inspiring the future leaders of tomorrow as professional educator
- 14 and administrator at Mercer University, Riverdale High School, State University of West
- 15 Georgia, Riverdale Middle School, and Atlanta Job Corps and with Clayton County Public
- 16 Schools; and
- 17 WHEREAS, her leadership and guidance were instrumental to all of Clayton County during
- 18 her service as Interim Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools from 2007 to 2008,
- as she answered the call to serve and did an excellent job leading the system and keeping the
- 20 community actively involved in the transition process; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Dr. Duncan has been honored with numerous accolades and honors, including
- 22 an NAACP Image Award in Education, a Century Club Award from the Butler Street
- 23 YMCA, and being named Outstanding Woman in Clayton County in 2003; and

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24 WHEREAS, in recognition of her contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly

- 25 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments
- of this outstanding individual.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Dr. Gloria Duncan for her three
- 29 decades of sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in
- 30 Georgia and for the positive influence she has had upon the lives and futures of countless
- 31 young people in this state.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Gloria Duncan.